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FINAL MEMBERS OF NATIONAL FISH AND WILDLIFE FOUNDATION ANNOUNCED BY INTERIOR DEPARTMENT

The Interior Department today announced the selection of the final two members of the board of directors for the newly formed National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

They are Eugene A. Bay, Jr., vice president and publisher of Field and Stream Magazine, and James D. Range, senior director of Waste Management, Inc., and previously chief counsel to former Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker

The appointments bring to nine the number of nationally prominent conservationists who serve as board members for the foundation, which was established by Congress in 1984 to encourage donations of property and other gifts to further the work of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, an Interior Department agency.

"I am pleased to have individuals with the broad experience and talents of Gene Bay and Jim Range serving with me on the foundation," said Thomas G. McMillan, chairman of the board. "Currently, the foundation is looking at the possibility of several cooperative ventures on behalf of the Nation's fish and wildlife resources. These range from assisting the striped bass resources of the East Coast to a possible cooperative effort for the California sea otter.

"The opportunities are almost unlimited and the timing is perfect for a foundation like this to begin generating private efforts to assist in supporting and managing these national treasures. It is totally in keeping with the policies of this Administration, and I'm frankly excited about the possibilities, especially now that we have a complete board," McMillan said.

Bay, 52, of Malba, New York, has been vice president and publisher of Field and Stream since 1975. Before that, he held several advertising and marketing positions with American Home Publishing Company and Triangle Publications, Inc. He serves as a director of the Sport Fishing Institute, a member of the board of governors for the National Shooting Sports Foundation, Inc., and a commissioner of the Statue of Liberty--Ellis Island Centennial Commission. In 1982, he was an advisor to former Interior Secretary James Watt on wetlands and waterfowl conservation as part of the Interior Department's "POWDR" initiative. He received a degree in arts and science from the University of Pennsylvania in 1956.

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Range, 39, of Johnson City, Tennessee, serves as senior director of government affairs for the international corporation Waste Management, Inc. Formerly, he was chief minority counsel for the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, which oversees the regulatory and legislative activities of the Fish and Wildlife Service, among other federal agencies. In 1980, Range became Majority Leader Baker's chief counsel.

In 1972, Range was counsel to the National Commission on Water Quality during its review of the Federal Clean Water Act for Congress. Range holds a B.S. in biology, chemistry, and physics from Tulane University, an M.S. in aquatic biology from Tennessee Technical University, and a J.D. from the University of Miami, with special emphasis in natural resource law.

In addition to Bay, Range, and McMillan, the other members of the board of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation include David Packard, co-founder and chairman of the board of Hewlett-Packard Company; William A. Molini, director of the Nevada Department of Wildlife; G. Ray Arnett, former Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Fish and Wildlife and Parks; Mrs. Beatrice C. Pickens, an Amarillo, Texas, rancher; John F. Bookout, president of Shell Oil Company; and Michael H. Shlaudeman, director of corporate operations for Bradshaw, Inc.

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